

Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board

July 22, 2015

The Board met in regular session at the Merrifield Center, 8221 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive, Fairfax, VA.

The following CSB members were present: Gary Ambrose, Chair; Ken Garnes, Kate Hanley, Kat Kehoe, Suzette Kern, Molly Long, Lori Stillman, Dallas “Rob” Sweezy, Diane Tuininga, Jeff Wisoff, Jane Woods and Spencer Woods

The following CSB members were absent: Pam Barrett and Paul Luisada

The following CSB staff was present: Tisha Deeghan, Daryl Washington, G. Michael Lane, Dave Mangano, Lisa Potter and Laura Yager

1. Meeting Called to Order

Gary Ambrose called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Matters of the Public

There were none presented.

3. Recognition

Ken Garnes was honored for his exceptional leadership and guidance as CSB Chair over the past two years which was crucial in a time in which the agency as well as CSB Board experienced several transitions.

4. Approval of the Minutes

Kate Hanley offered a motion for approval of the June 24, 2015 Board meeting minutes of the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board which was seconded and passed.

5. Matters of the Board

- Kate Hanley noted the CSB presentations at the recent Board of Supervisors (BOS) Human Services Committee were well received, with one member indicating this was the first time information was provided in such a way as to offer a clear understanding of the issues.
- Reporting on the Suicide Prevention Regional Task Force, Jane Woods noted efforts continue to ensure measures are in place for both youth and adults. As part of this initiative, Laura Yager will be presenting to the CSB Regional Management Group and the Northern Virginia Regional Commission.
- As a recently appointed CSB Board member, Kat Kehoe shared she has joined the CSB Government & Community Relations as well as Intellectual and Development Disability (IDD) Committees.

- Noting the Pathways to Wellness Conference will be held October 16, 2015, Diane Tuininga indicated registration will soon be available through the website being developed.
- Jeff Wisoff extended appreciation to Jim Stratoudakis and Erin Bloom for providing background information for his new role.

6. Directors Report

Tisha Deeghan reported on the following:

- Noting development of the Lines of Business (LOBs) is moving forward, it was indicated the analysis undertaken last year to identify the three percent budget reduction submission has been helpful in this process. The Human Service agencies are being encouraged to work together to avoid redundancy in the LOB submissions. At the same time, each agency must provide a clear understanding of their unique services, even though they may fall under a main category such as children services.
- In addition to the IDD Day Employment presentation before the BOS Human Services Committee, it was noted the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Assessment grant was discussed, clarifying the funds awarded are a small portion of the initial request. It is hoped that some FY 2015 Carryover funding will be designated to bridge a CIT assessment center at Merrifield as well as to establish a mobile crisis unit in another quadrant of the county.
- Along with representatives of the CSB and Fairfax County Sheriff's Office, a local Washington NBC4 reporter participated in the recent site visit to review the Bexar County, Texas jail diversion system. As a result, a series of news reports will be aired beginning July 22nd. It was noted the statistics illustrate the success of the Bexar County program that includes reduction in jail beds as well as homelessness. Additionally, it was emphasized to achieve successful outcomes, all parties must be involved and the measures in place to support the system.
- Michael Lane, newly hired CSB Deputy Director, Administrative Operations, was introduced.

7. Committee Reports

A. *Behavioral Health Oversight Committee (BHOC)*

Recognizing there may be an interest, Diane Tuininga indicated presentations providing an overview of CSB services before the committee over the past several months have been distributed to all CSB Board members.

B. *Fiscal Oversight Committee*

Ken Garnes reported on the following:

- ♦ Appreciation was extended to Laura Yager for providing a tour of the Merrifield Center to Tony Griffin, former Fairfax County Executive, who was instrumental in the paving the way for the facility.
- ♦ As of now, final decisions have not been received on the FY 2015 Carryover requests submitted to the Department of Management and Budget.

- ♦ The CSB yearend report to the BOS and Cities of Fairfax and Falls Church is being developed and will be available for Board review in September. It was noted the document will focus on future activities vs. solely on past year activities.
- ♦ In preparation for development of the LOBs, two CSB Board work sessions have been scheduled in September on the 1st and 15th.
- ♦ During August, Len Wales will be transitioning out of his CSB position, and in September, may be accepting other county assignments. However, Mr. Wales will continue to provide assistance with the LOBs process.
- ♦ To accommodate the October 16th Pathway to Wellness Conference, the October committee meeting is being moved to October 23rd.
- ♦ It was determined an August committee will not be necessary.

C. Government and Community Relations Committee

Rob Sweezy reported on the activities of the recent committee meeting which included:

- ♦ Suicide Prevention training for adults who provide coaching will be addressed with the schools. In addition, outreach efforts for training of adults involved with other community children activities will be pursued.
- ♦ Following discussion of a jail diversion legislative proposal drafted for the upcoming Virginia General Assembly session, Kate Hanley moved for adoption and submission of the proposal to the Fairfax County Legislative Office for the BOS to consider including in the 2016 County Legislative Program. The motion was seconded and passed.
- ♦ Noting the updated Human Services Issues Paper was previously distributed to Board members for review, it was indicated the committee has incorporated some further revisions. This background document is prepared each year to provide the state legislature with a reference document, however, it was clarified that succinct, bulleted talking points will be developed for use by CSB members when meeting with legislative representatives. Jane Woods presented a motion for approval to submit the CSB updated portion of the Human Services Issues Paper to the County Legislative Office with the understanding there may be some additional verbiage revisions, but no substantive changes to the issues as outlined. The motion was seconded and passed.

D. Intellectual and Developmental Disability (IDD) Committee

Lori Stillman provided the following overview of developments as well as discussions at the July committee meeting:

- ♦ Kat Kehoe has joined the IDD Committee which is now meeting at 5:30 at the Merrifield Center.
- ♦ Referencing the committee September meeting notes included in the CSB agenda packet, the discussion of the Department of Justice settlement and scheduled closure of Northern Virginia Training Center (NVTC) was highlighted.

- ♦ In furtherance of the IDD Day Employment presentation to the BOS Human Services Committee, it was noted the PowerPoint is a useful reference document that outlines the issues.
- ♦ The August 19th Infant and Toddler Connection (ITC) graduation ceremony has been moved to an indoor location, Daniels Run Elementary School, and Virginia Health and Human Resources Secretary William Hazel is scheduled to attend.
- ♦ On Tuesday, July 28th, the BOS will recognize the 25th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act, with a reception held prior at 8:30am at the Fairfax County Government Center.
- ♦ The next committee meeting is scheduled Thursday, September 3rd, 5:30, at the Merrifield Center.

8. Action Items

A. *CSB Associate Committee Members*

As outlined in the CSB Bylaws, Diane Tuininga noted the recommended FY 2016 Associate Committee members were presented at the June meeting, and are now being brought forth for approval. Following, Ms. Tuininga offered a motion for approval of the FY 2016 Associate Committee members which was seconded and passed.

B. *Criminal Justice Diversion Program Funding Request*

Laura Yager provided background on an opportunity released July 13th for funding, up to \$185,000 annually, from the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services for Criminal Justice Diversion services. The funding focuses on Intercepts 2 and 3 within the Sequential Model that includes the courts. With this in mind, efforts are underway to pursue development of a mental health court.

The application for funding is due August 17th, and as the BOS will not be meeting in August, it has been agreed the filing can proceed and presented to the BOS retroactively in September. Jane Woods moved for approval to apply for, and if awarded, accept Criminal Justice Diversion Program funding. The motion was seconded and passed.

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion to adjourn was offered, seconded and carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Actions Taken--

- The June 2015 meeting minutes were approved.
- Approval of the FY 2016 Associate Committee members.
- Approval to apply, and if awarded, accept Criminal Justice Diversion Program funding.

September 23, 2015

Date



Staff to Board